

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COLUMBIA DIVISION

Susan Diane Scruggs as Personal)	C/A No. 0:19-cv-00921-RBH-PJG
Representative of the Estate of William)	
Bradley Scruggs,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
-vs)	
Bryan Stirling in his official capacity as)	
Director of the South Carolina Department)	
Of Corrections; Beverly Wood in her)	
individual capacity; Robert Poiletman, in his)	
Individual capacity, Rubin Ridgeway,)	
Antionette Bradley in her individual)	
Capacity, Tim Riley in his individual)	
Capacity, Andrea Thompson in her)	
Individual capacity, Kinnard Debose in his)	
Individual capacity, Lefford Fate in his)	
Individual capacity,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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David T. King, individually and as)	
Personal Representative of the Estate of)	C/A No. 0:19-cv-00828-RBH-PJG
John Telly King,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
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vs.)	
)	
Warden Timothy Riley, Associate)	
Warden Andrea Thompson, Associate)	
Warden Gary Lane, Major V. Jackson,)	
Captain Yolanda Brown, Lt. Tecorrie)	
Garvin, Lt. Travis Pressley, Sgt. Dewaun)	
McKan, Cpl. Matthew Whitaker, C/O)	
Damian Jones,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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James H. Kelley, individually and as)	C/A No. 0:19-cv-00827-RBH-PJG
Personal Representative of the Estate of)	
Joseph H. Kelley,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
-vs-)	
)	
Warden Timothy Riley, Associate)	
Warden Andrea Thompson, Associate)	
Warden Gary Lane, Major V. Jackson,)	
Captain Yolanda Brown, Lt. Tecorrie)	
Garvin, Lt. Travis Pressley, Sgt. Dewaun)	
McKan, Cpl. Matthew Whitaker, C/O)	
Damian Jones,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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Lola Robinson, individually and as)	C/A No. 0:19-cv-00826-RBH-PJG
Personal Representative of the Estate of)	
Jimmy Lee Ham,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
-vs-)	
)	
Warden Timothy Riley, Associate)	
Warden Andrea Thompson, Associate)	
Warden Gary Lane, Major V. Jackson,)	
Captain Yolanda Brown, Lt. Tecorrie)	
Garvin, Lt. Travis Pressley, Sgt. Dewaun)	
McKan, Cpl. Matthew Whitaker, C/O)	
Damian Jones,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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CONSENT ORDER CONSOLIDATING ACTIONS FOR DISCOVERY PURPOSES

The above-referenced actions arise out of an April 7, 2017 incident at Kirkland Correctional Institution where two inmates attacked and killed four other inmates. All four actions contain common questions of law and fact and common parties and witnesses. Thus, the consolidation of these actions for the purposes of discovery will result in judicial economy and

prevent unnecessary cost and delay.

Upon motion of G. Murrell Smith, Jr., attorney for Defendants in all actions, and with the consent of Charles E. Grose, Jr., and Austin McDaniel, attorneys for Plaintiff Scruggs (C/A No. 0:19-cv-00921-RBH-PJG), and C. Carter Elliott, Jr., attorney for Plaintiffs Kelley (C/A No. 0:19-cv-00827-RBG-PJG), King (C/A No. 0:19-cv-00828-RBH-PJG), and Robinson (C/A No. 0:19-cv-00826-RBH-PJG), the above-captioned cases shall be consolidated for the purposes of discovery pursuant to Rule 42(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. All parties reserve the right to move for consolidation of these cases for trial at a later date.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



Paige J. Gossett
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

September 19, 2019
Columbia, South Carolina

WE SO MOVE:

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